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### **LEGENDARY JAZZ PIANIST CHICK COREA COMES TO CAMPUS**

#### **MISSOULA--**

Eight-time Grammy-Award winner Chick Corea will perform with his band Origin at The University of Montana on Sunday, Oct. 24.

The sextet's eclectic mix of bop, avant-garde, pianissimo, rock and classical sounds will fill the University Theatre starting at 8 p.m.

Since he burst onto the Manhattan jazz scene of the late 1950s at age 17, Corea's skills as a performer, arranger, composer, improviser and band leader have earned him a reputation as a performer continually on the cutting edge. Over four decades Corea has stretched the boundaries between genres, performing with the likes of Stan Getz, Herbie Mann, Sarah Vaughan, Miles Davis, Herbie Hancock, Bobby McFerrin and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra.

Origin, formed in 1997, has won critical praise for its members' talents and cohesiveness, described as "clairvoyance" by one reviewer. Besides Corea, Origin includes a three-piece brass section comprised of trombonist Steve Davis and reedmen Bob Sheppard and Steve Wilson, Israeli bass sensation Avishai Cohen and powerhouse drummer Adam Cruz.

"New ensembles rarely attain the cohesive sound and clarity of purpose [of] Chick

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Corea's Origin," wrote Chicago Tribune critic Howard Reich. "... They have a thorough understanding of their working repertoire as well as technical mastery of it."

Tickets are \$21 in advance or \$23 on the day of the show. They are available at all TIC-IT-E-Z locations or by calling (888) MONTANA or (406) 243-4051 in Missoula. For more information, call University Theatre Productions at (406) 243-2853.

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